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Allow students, in groups or individually, to examine the posters on the following pages while answering the questions below in order. The questions are designed to guide students into a deeper analysis of the source and sharpen associated cognitive skills.

Level I: Description

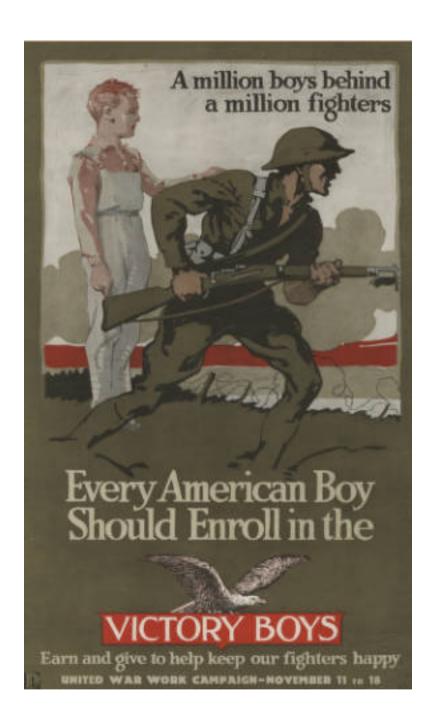
- 1. What details do you see on these posters?
- 2. Who do you like about the posters?
- 3. What do you not like about the posters?

Level II: Interpretation

- 1. Why do you think the government printed these posters? What was the purpose for printing them?
- 2. Look at the poster and how the people in the poster are dressed. What do you notice? How are they different from today?

Level III: Analysis

- 1. Do you feel that this poster supported the troops during the war?
- 2. How do you think you would react today if you were told to not waste your food because of our obligations to the people in the other countries who did not have food due to the war?



THE GARBAGE that comes from your Kitchen, even after you have eliminated all possible human food, contains materials needed in the manufacture of nitro-glycerine, soaps, fertilizers and other War Necessities or makes excellent food for Pigs. Do not place broken crockery, glass or other household wastes in the garbage pail. Keep the Garbage Clean and see that it is utilized.

United States Food Administration



